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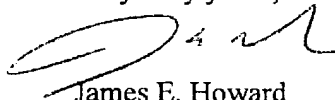
Re: Enclosed Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116  
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/672,304  
Docket No.: AM9990146US1

Dear Examiner Alaubaidi:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on December 8, 2004, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



James E. Howard

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Serial No.: 09/672,304

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FEB 08 2005AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In preparation for imminent appeal and in response to the Office Action dated

December 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-23 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 4, 12, and 20 are amended to more clearly define the invention. Claims 1, 7, 17, and 23 are independent.